## 6 February 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Walt W. Rostow

Special Assistant to the President

SUBJECT

: IV Corps Report

Our Saigon Station has relayed the following report from our IV Corps Regional officer in Can Tho:

- "1. Reports from IV Corps province officers state that the advent of U.S. troops into province cities is having an electrifying effect on morale of GVN forces and they are beginning to act and operate like soldiers.
- "2. This might likely be the key we need. If it were possible to bring even company or platoon size U.S. troops into cities such as Tra Vinh, Soc Tranh and Chau Doc, we might find a tramendous boosting of SVN troop morale which would stimulate them to regain face they might have lost."

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cc: Secretary Rusk Secretary McNamara General Wheeler

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